mandays of employment generation was fixed for the year 1988-89 against which 296.56 million mandays are reported to have been generated in various States/UTs under RLEGP during 1988-89. The percentage achievement comes to 113.88%. State-wise performance under RLEGP during 1988-89,, is given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 132]

(c) During 1988-89, against resource of Rs. 70.10 crores released to Andhra Pradesh under RLEGP, Rs. 63.82 crores are reported to have been utilised in the State, which comes to 91.05%. Against the target of 26.25 million mandays of employment generation, 29.45 million mandays of employment were generated in Andhra Pradesh under RLEGP during 1988-89, which is 112.20% of the target. As compared to other States/UTs, performance of Andhra Pradesh is rated as 'Very Good'.

Exploitation of labourers by middlemen

3581. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to statewhether Government have recently received any complaints about the labourers from Andhra Pradesh being exploited and victimised by middlemen for sending them abroad ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : Yes, Sir. Complaints from two workers from Hyderabad regarding cheating have been received in the current year against two unregistered agents. The complaints have been referred to the police authorities for investigation.

Subsidy to fertilizer industry

3582. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what was the amount of central subsidy given to the fertilizer industry in the country during the years 1986 and 1987, year-wise; and

(b) what is the extent to which the central subsidy has proved as an incentive to operate the fertilizer units according to their installed capacity stating the extent to which it has helped in bringing down the imports of fertilizers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA) : (a) The subsidies paid on indigenous fertilizers during the financial years 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88 were Rs. 1600 crores, Rs. 1700 crores and Rs. 2050 crores, respectively.

(b) Under the retention price and subsidy scheme, the fertilizer units are assured of a return of 12% post-tax on networth. This has proved to be quite an incentive for the investment in the fertilizer sector resulting in increased production and reduction in imports of fertilizers. Production (N+P) as a percentage of consumption has increased from 61% in 1980-81 to 92% in 1987-88.

मदन महल रेलवे स्टेशन, मध्य प्रदेश का विकास

3583. **श्री शिवप्रसाद चनपुरिया** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश के जबलपुर नगर में मध्य रेलवे के मदन महल रेलवे स्टेशन का विकास करने संबंधी कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है?

रेल मन्त्री (श्री जार्ज फर्नांडीज) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) 4.64 लाख रुपये की लागत पर मदन महल रेलवे स्टेशन की इमारत का विस्तार पहले ही स्वीकृत किया जा चुका है।

Completion of Talcher-Sambalpur Broad Gauge rail line

3584. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased state :

(a) by when the Talcher-Sambalpur Broad Gauge rail line is likely to be completed;

(b) the amount spent so far and percentage of work done in this line;

(c) by when the Talcher-Angul Railway line is likely to be opened for traffic; and